









# THE FARMER: AN AGRICULTURAL AND FAMILY NEWSPAPER.

## The Record of the War.

### From the Army of the Potomac.

New York, April 5. The Herald's Alexandria dispatch of the 4th inst. has raised seven out of the last ten days. The camps are in a most horrible condition. It will take four weeks of sunshine to dry the ground so that the army can move. The re-organization is nearly complete, and the troops are becoming reconciled to the new order of things.

### From the Red River Expedition—Capture of New Orleans by General Moore.

St. Louis, April 5. Advice from Alexandria to the 27th ult. says that the main body of Gen. Franklin's command arrived there the day before, meeting with no opposition. The country through which it passed was deserted by whites and black slaves, having gone to Texas. The indications are that Gen. Banks' army will remain there some time. The garrison at New Orleans had established a blockade at the mouth of the Red River, and none but government steamers were allowed to enter the stream.

### Gen. Moore has captured 17 cannon since reaching Red River.

Vicksburg advices of the 28th ult. say that the crew of the steamer Alfred Cunningham had arrived from Alexandria. Gen. Banks was organizing a civil government. It was expected that the steamer would fall without resistance. The rebels will be driven from the entire country east of the river. A military post had been established at Water Pross. The rebel General Harrison's command is moving toward Shreveport.

### Brilliant Federal Expedition in Arkansas.

WASHINGTON April 6. The following has been received at headquarters: Ark., April 1, 1864.

### To General Hildreth, Chief of Staff:

The following letter is just received:

PINE BLUFF, Ark., March 31, 1864.

The expedition to Mount Elba and Longview has just returned. We destroyed the ponton bridge at Longview, burned a train of thirty-five wagons loaded with camp and garrison equipment, ammunition, quartermaster's stores, etc., and captured 320 prisoners.

I engaged in battle yesterday morning, Gen. Docking's division of about 1200 men from Missouri, routed with a small force and with a loss on his side of 100 killed and wounded.

We captured a large quantity of small arms, two stands of colors, many wagons and over 300 horses and mules.

Our loss will not exceed fifteen killed, wounded and missing. We brought in several hundred contrabands.

The expedition was a complete success, details of which will be furnished in my official report, which will be forwarded in a few days.

(Signed) POWELL, CLAYTON, Col. Comd'g.

### Cavalry Fight between Grierson and Forrest—Another Battle at Memphis.

MEMPHIS, April 3. Grierson's cavalry had a fight with Forrest near Summerville yesterday. After skirmishing some time, the rebels being reinforced and Grierson's support, the latter, after a long battle, fell back before greatly superior numbers, bringing with him 7 prisoners. He will renew the attack.

### Particulars of Col. Clayton's Raid in Arkansas—Another Battle at Memphis.

St. Louis, April 6. The following particulars of Col. Clayton's recent raid in Arkansas have been received from Little Rock:

Col. Clayton, with a force of cavalry and infantry and one battery, went to Mount Elber, on the Salem river. Leaving the infantry and artillery there to guard the bridge and cover the rear, he proceeded with his cavalry toward Longview, further down the Salem river, and twenty miles southwest, where the main body of the rebel army was stationed for the purpose of destroying the ponton bridges and the army stores at that place.

An advance of one hundred men was sent on, upon arriving at the bridge, saw a large number of rebels, and the force was ordered to hurry to the rear. The rebels rushed forward, and as fast as they crossed were captured, and their guns thrown into the river. In this way 200 rebels were captured, and 35 wagons, loaded with supplies, which were destroyed; also 30 horses and mules.

A paymaster's safe containing \$50,000 in Federal money was also captured. The bridge was afterwards burned. The force was accompanied by eight miles was accomplished in twenty-four hours. The prisoners captured during the expedition, numbering three hundred and seventy, including many officers, reached Little Rock on the 2d inst.

### From Red River—Loss of the Rebel Rattle Tennessee.

CAIRO, April 6. The steamer Atlantic, with New Orleans dates of the 27th of March, has arrived.

At Alexandria on the 25th it was reported that all was quiet, with the exception of occasional skirmishing. The rebel force near there was estimated to be 20,000 men, and it was supposed that their intention was to fall back about fifty miles, and there await an attack from our forces.

A land force left Alexandria on the 27th destined for Shreveport. The force was under the command of Gen. Smith.

The rebel Rattle Tennessee was struck by a squall on the 1st inst., while lying near Grant's Pass, causing her to keel over and sink. But two feet of her keel and her mainmast were visible. Her armament will prove a heavy loss to the rebels. It consisted of six 100-pound rifled Parrotts and nearly as many small pieces.

### Colored Troops in Kentucky—Remained Movements of Forrest.

St. Louis, April 8. The World's Washington dispatch says Gen. Burnside has gone West on a special mission for the purpose of raising negro troops in Kentucky.

A detachment from Louisville says several of the rebel forces' officers crossed the Ohio into Indiana and Illinois for the purpose of exciting the people to revolt. Others remained in Kentucky to help the conspirators keep the flame of sedition alive.

Forrest in his late raid secured several hundred recruits. He is on his way to Corinth, and will, it is said, there undertake with reinforcements a raid into Middle Kentucky with the expectation of meeting a large assembly of negroes, who are expected to join him in the event of his success. He will join him at Longport and proceed into East Kentucky.

### From Arkansas—The Rebels Driven from Richmond to Be Retained.

PORTSMOUTH, MONDAY, April 7. Two steamers left here to-day under a flag of truce for City Point, to bring down under Federal officers and soldiers new prisoners of war at Richmond, about 1000 in number.

PORTSMOUTH, MONDAY, April 8. The steamer S. R. Spaulding, just arrived from Newbern, reports that Cape Lookout lighthouse was partially destroyed by the rebels, and there will probably be no light there for a week or two.

### Important Changes in the Army.

WASHINGTON, April 7. The following important changes and assignments have been made:

Major Gen. P. H. Sheridan is assigned to the command of the Cavalry Corps of the Army of the Potomac.

Major Gen. Schofield is assigned to the command of the Third Army Corps.

Major Gen. Slocum is ordered to report to Maj. Gen. Sherman, commanding the Division of the Mississippi, and Maj. Gen. Stoneham to Maj. Gen. Schofield, commanding the Department of the Ohio, for assignment to duty.

Maj. Gen. Granger is ordered to report to the Adjutant General of the army.

Capt. Horace Porter of the U. S. Ordnance Department is designated as camp to Lieut. Gen. Grant, with the rank of Lieut. Colonel.

### Reinforcement of the Potomac Army.

New York, 9th. The World's Army of the Potomac letter reports reinforcements arriving daily.

The 4th New York heavy artillery, 2000 strong, and the 1st New York heavy artillery, 2000 strong, arrived.

The 3d New York heavy artillery, 2000 strong, arrived.

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## The Markets.

### THE CATTLE MARKET.

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